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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.
LONDON.—E. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GORDON & GOTH, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C. BATES HENDY & CO., 4 Old Jewry, E.C.
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTH, Melbourne and Sydney.
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—WATTS & BAUER, San Francisco.
OHIO.—S. J. BROWN & CO., 2, Montgomery Street, New York.
SINGAPORE.—J. D. BROWN & CO., 1, Raffles Place.

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Per *Phase*, Le Comte de Montbel and servant, 2 children of Mr. Ormea, Comte de Lallmand and servant, Messrs J. M. Genes, Yang, Bado, Pigeon, Mercant, Flaherty, Walsh, R. P. Salvaire, Chanoit, Ghirardi, De la Place, Cayet, Isidore Nicholas, Valmale, Nicholas Christophe, Don Francisco, L. Choca, Lemaire, Nachtrieb, E. Rubin, and 1 Japanese.
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BEAUTY AND THE BRIGANDS. Orchestra by the remainder of the Band.
PRICES OF ADMISSION.
Reserved Seats, \$2.00.
Front Seats, 1.00.
Back Seats, 0.20.
Tickets to be had from the Manager at Murray Barracks and at the Door of the Theatre on the Night of Performance. Doors open at half past 8; Performance to commence at 9 precisely.
Manager, CORP. EDWARD WALSH, VIVAT REGIMENT.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
CAPITAL 2,000,000 DOLLARS, in 2,000 Shares of 1,000 Dollars each.
Consulting Committee:—GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq., WM. KAYE, Esq., R. ROWETT, Esq., S. D. SASSOON, Esq., F. BUXBY, Esq.
General Managers:—Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Head Office, No. 39, Queen's Road.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
which, by the effluxion of time in a few months, having proved a highly successful undertaking, it has been determined by a large number of its shareholders to form a permanent company, under the name management and with increased Capital.
It is proposed to register the Company under the Limited Liability Ordinance, and the amount of the Capital having been fixed at Two Millions of Dollars, it is considered that Insurers will be amply secured thereby, while at the same time each shareholder will know the extent of his individual liability. The capital proposed to be called up amounts to a large sum, and provision will be made for the creation of an ample Reserve Fund, which will, it is expected, in a very short time—accumulate to an amount practically to give the fullest security both to Insurers and Insured, irrespective of the unpaid Capital.
It is intended to anticipate the termination of the Old Company, by dissolving it from and after the 31st December next, and measures are being taken for that purpose. In anticipating a successful career for the New Company, it is only necessary to present to the public the results of the Old Company since its establishment in May 1866, as exhibited by the following figures:—
The total premiums collected from the 11th May 1866 to the present time, a period of only two years and five months, amount to \$304,727.72
and include the large sum of \$65,270 lost by the Fire at Hongkong in Nov. 1867.
The amount now at the Credit of the Working Account, after paying all Expenses and Re-insurances to date, exceeds \$160,000.00
These figures fully warrant the most sanguine expectations of success, and it is but reasonable to expect that, strengthened with larger Capital, the present undertaking cannot fail to prove at least as successful as the former one. The Old Company, when it entered the field, had to create a business for itself, but the New one, in taking over the outstanding risks and connections of the Old Company, will at once receive a very large amount of premium and enter on a profitable and organized business. Moreover, there is no doubt that the risk of Fire in Hongkong has been greatly diminished by the Building Regula-

New Advertisements.
The following are the main features of the New Company:
1. A first Call of \$100, to be paid upon each share on allotment, and a further Call of \$100 to be paid in Six Months; all further Calls to be determined upon at General Meetings of the shareholders.
2. Interest at 12 per cent per annum to be in the first instance allowed on the paid up Capital, such Interest to be payable half-yearly on 30th June and 30th Dec. and to be applied to the 20 per cent interest, pro rata, amongst all of the shareholders as shall have contributed or influenced business to the Company, and the remainder in forming a Reserve Fund of \$250,000.
3. When such Reserve Fund shall have been accumulated, the payment of Interest shall cease, and the profits to be applied thus—20 per cent to be distributed as already mentioned amongst the shareholders to the Company; 30 per cent to the augmentation of the Reserve Fund until it shall reach \$1,000,000, at which figure it is to be permanently maintained; and the remaining 50 per cent to be distributed by way of dividend amongst the shareholders generally.
4. No shareholder to hold more than 250 shares.
5. The Company to be managed by General Managers, with the assistance of a Consulting Committee.
6. The Funds of the Company to be deposited in Banks or in Government Securities approved of by the Committee.
Over one-half of the entire number of shares has already been taken up.
The following is the form of application for shares, which should be filled up and signed by the applicant and left with the General Managers of the Company:—
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1868.

THE GENERAL MANAGERS OF THE "HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED."
[Address of applicant and date.]
GENTLEMEN,
I [or we] hereby request that you will allot to me [or us] shares in the above company, and I [or we] agree to accept such shares, or any less number you may allot to me [or us] and to pay the First Call of \$100 per share on allotment, and the second Call of \$100 per share on the first day of June next, as well as any subsequent Calls that may be made, and to sign the Deed of Association whenever required so to do.
Your obedient servant
The Deed of Association may be inspected at the Office of the General Managers, or at the Office of Mr. HENRY G. JARDINE, the Solicitor of the Company.
Hongkong, November 25, 1868. ja25

FOR SALE AT EAST POINT.
A Complete assortment of Lowmoor and Thornycroft-PLATE, and SHEET IRON, BAR, ROD, ANGLE IRON and RIVETS. Double Sheet, Spring & Blister STEEL, in round, square and flat bars. Barbits METAL, Muntz Yellow METAL, Copper PLATES, Rods and Pipes. GAS FITTINGS of every description. BOILER TUBES, Pressure GUAGES, FILES, PACKING and all kinds of Engineer's Supplies.
RUSSELL & CO.
Hongkong, September 1, 1868. mar10

NOTICE.
THE Office of the WANCHAI STEAM BAKERY is REMOVED to the Store of Messrs MATHESON & CO., where all orders addressed to "WANCHAI STEAM BAKERY" will receive prompt attention. Fancy BISCUIT and CAKE constantly on hand.
L. P. WARD, Proprietor.
Hongkong, September 3, 1868. de3

NOTICE.
THE Undersecretary having PURCHASED the interest of the "WANCHAI STEAM BAKERY" begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and Ship Masters that he is prepared to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD in various forms, to any part of the Colony.
Also Ship BREAD of best quality and at low rates constantly on hand or baked in quantities at short notice.
Also Water, Butter, Soda and Sugar BISCUITS by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.
Also Corn and Rye MEAL, HOMINY, CORN STARCH, BICARB. SODA, Saleratus and Cream TARTAR.
FLOUR of best Brands constantly on hand supplied by the Barrel, Bag, Tin or Pound.
CAKE of all kinds baked to order.
The above is under the Superintendence of Mr. JONATHAN PARSONS, and all orders forwarded to him, at the Bakery, or left at Messrs MATHESON & CO.'s will receive prompt attention.
L. P. WARD.
Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

Auctions.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 27th day of November, 1868, at 12 o'clock, at the Godowns of Messrs AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO., Warchi, 63 piculs BICHO DE MAR.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, November 24, 1868, 27np

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PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 26th November, 1868, at 12 o'clock, at his Sales Room, Commercial Bank Buildings, —
30 boxes Candles.
10 barrels Brandy.
50 bolts Giltrock Canvas, Nos. 1 to 6.
15 dozen assorted Essences.
10 dozen Mustard.
20 dozen Ink.
60 sides Pump Leather.
50 kags Iron Nails.
10 casks Butter.
10 casks Green Peas.
25 Overland Trunks.
25 casks Allsopp's Ale.
12 dozen superior Champagne.
24 10-catty boxes best Souchong Tea.
10 cases Tobacco.
50 boxes superior Viqueiros.
8 bales Turkey Red Cambrics.
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J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, November 24, 1868, no26

PUBLIC AUCTION.
BOWRA & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 28th November, 1868, at 11 a.m., by order and at the residence of Wm. VINTOR, Esq., Hollywood Road, (next door to the Hotel d'Europe), The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising Sitting Room, Dining Room and Bed Room Suites, Chandeliers, Mirrors, &c.
A Magnificent Grand PIANO FORTE.
Lady's Sedan CHAIR.
Etc., Etc.
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Hongkong November 24, 1868.

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BOWRA & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 26th Nov., 1868, at 11 o'clock a.m., Sundry Household FURNITURE, superior Crystal, Glassware, Electro-plated Ware, Table-linen, Mirrors, Books in English, French and German, including the collection of "Gierstaker's" works in German, in 50 vols., well-bound, Clocks, 1 Rifle by "Lepage," 1 double-barrelled Gun by "Dean and Adams," Sedan Chairs, Lamps, Etc., etc., etc.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots with all errors of description whatever at purchaser's risk upon fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, November 19, 1868, no26

Banks.
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, FIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.
COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman.—GEORGE JOHN HELLAND, Esq.
Deputy Chairman.—GEO. F. HEARD, Esq.
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WILLIAM LEMANN, Esq. JAS. P. DUNNANSON, Esq.
JULIUS MENKE, Esq. RICHARD ROWETT, Esq.
And, E. R. BELLING, Esq.
Managers.
Hongkong, VICTOR KRESSER, Esq. Chief Manager.
Shanghai, DAVID MOLLER, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balances.
On Fixed Deposits.—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "
LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
VICTOR KRESSER, Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation.
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, June 17, 1868.

STORAGE.
THE Undersigned are prepared to receive Piece GOODS on STORAGE in their "First Class" Granite Godowns.
R. MATHESON & CO.
Hongkong, November 24, 1868. tt

Shipping.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHEW. The Steamship "DOUGLAS," Captain TORRIN, will have immediate despatch for the above ports.
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co. Hongkong, November 24, 1868.
FOR LABUAN & SINGAPORE, OR SINGAPORE DIRECT. Should sufficient inducement offer. The new screw steamer "PINE," Captain J. D. NEWLAND, with Ho May's Mail, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this for the above places, on TUESDAY, 1st December, at 9 a.m. PARCELS and CARGO will be received on board until Noon, and SPECIE until 4 p.m. on the 30th November. For particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong.
CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.
A written declaration of the Contents and Value of the Packages for the Overseas Route is required by the British Government, and must be forwarded by the Shippers to the Company's Agents with the Bills of Lading, or with Parcels; and the Company do not hold themselves responsible for any detention or prejudice which may happen from incorrectness on such declaration.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.
W. MACAULAY, Superintendent, P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, November 19, 1868. del

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STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ANDRIA, MESSINA, REBELLES, JERUSALEM, JEDDAH, JALCUTTA, &c., &c., &c.
The 26th inst., at 9 a.m., the Company's Steamship "HOLLAND," Commandant DE BOVIS, will leave this Port for the above places, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO. For Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the Company's office, Hongkong. CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.
C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent. Hongkong, November 25, 1868. no26

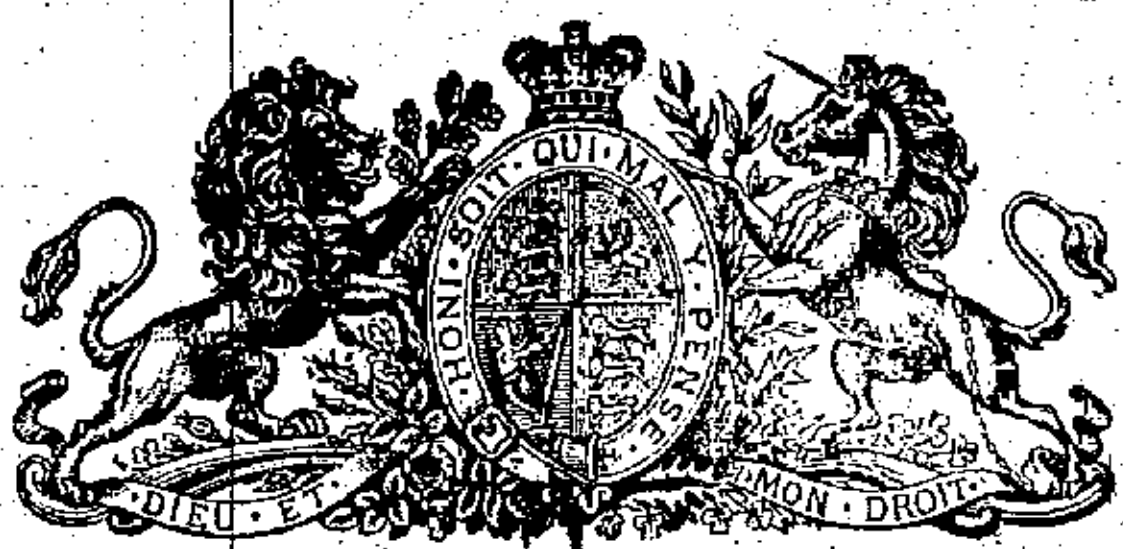
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
THROUGH U. S. MAIL LINE TO NEW YORK. STEAMERS of this line will be despatched as follows:—
Great Republic, on or about Aug. 15.
Japan, " " Sept. 15.
China, " " Oct. 15.
Great Republic, " " Nov. 15.
Japan, " " Dec. 15.
Costa Rica will leave Shanghai on or about same dates, connecting at Yokohama with above-named steamers.
Passengers ticketed through to California, Mexico, Central and South America, the Atlantic States, and to England or France, both via New York and by lines from Panama and Aspinwall.
Return tickets issued at a reduction of 10 % upon the whole amount for the round voyage.
Connections are made at Panama with Steam Lines upon the West Coast of Central and South America, at Aspinwall with the "Royal West India Mail Line," "West India and Pacific Steamship Company," (Limited) and the "French Transatlantic Company." And, at New York, with the various lines to Europe. Tickets issued for the following Steamship Lines: Cunard, Inman, National, General Transatlantic Co., New York and Havre Steamship Co., Hamburg and American Packet Co., New York and Bremen Steamship Co., and North German Lloyd's.
Favorable arrangements have been made for through passengers and freight to America, from Swatow, Amoy and Foochow. Through Bills of Lading given for Ports of Mexico and on the West Coast of Central and South America as far as Valparaiso, to New York, Liverpool, Southampton and St. Nazaire, France.
Freight to United States payable in advance in Mexican Dollars, or on delivery in American Gold Coin with 8 per cent ad valorem.

For further information, apply at the Agency of the Company, Praya West. GEO. F. BOWMAN, Agent.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.
"NAROWH CASTLE," FROM MADRAS.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. Agents.
Hongkong, November 23, 1868. no28
"WHITEHALL," FROM LONDON.
THE above named vessel having arrived in harbour, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their Goods.
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PRICES OF ADMISSION.
Reserved Seats, \$2.00.
Front Seats, 1.00.
Back Seats, 0.20.
Tickets to be had from the Manager at Murray Barracks and at the Door of the Theatre on the Night of Performance.
Doors open at half past 8; Performance to commence at 9 precisely.
Manager, Mr. EDWARD WALSH, VIVAT REGINA.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL 2,000,000 DOLLARS, in 2,000 Shares of 1,000 Dollars each.
Consulting Committee:—GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq., WM. KAYE, Esq., R. ROWETT, Esq., S. D. SASSOON, Esq., F. BERRY, Esq., General Managers:—MESSRS JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Head Office, No. 39, Queen's Road.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, which expires by effluxion of time in a few months, having proved a highly successful undertaking, it has been determined by a large number of its shareholders to form a permanent Company, under the same management and with increased Capital.

It is proposed to register the Company under the Limited Liability Ordinance, and the amount of the Capital having been fixed at Two Millions of Dollars, it is considered that Insurers will be amply secured thereby, while at the same time each shareholder will know the extent of his individual liability. The capital proposed to be called up amounts to a large sum, and provision will be made for the creation of an ample Reserve Fund, which will, it is expected, in a very short time accumulate to an amount practically to give the fullest security both to Insurers and Insured, irrespective of the unpaid Capital.

It is intended to anticipate the termination of the Old Company, by dissolving it from and after the 31st December next, and measures are being taken for that purpose. In anticipating a successful career for the New Company, it is only necessary to present to the public the results of the Old Company since its establishment in May 1866, as exhibited by the following figures:—The total premiums collected from the 11th May 1866 to the present time, a period of only two years and five months, amount to \$304,727.72. The losses which have been paid within the same period have amounted to \$130,081.22. The amount now at the Credit of the Working Account, after paying all Expenses and Re-insurances to date, exceeds \$160,000.00.

These figures fully warrant the most sanguine expectations of success, and it is but reasonable to expect that, strengthened with larger Capital, the present undertaking cannot fail to prove at least as successful as the former one. The Old Company, when it entered the field, had to create a business for itself, but the New one, in taking over the outstanding risks and connections of the Old Company, will at once receive a very large amount of premium, and enter on a profitable and organized business. Moreover, there is no doubt that the risk of Fire in Hongkong has been greatly diminished by the Building Regula-

New Advertisements.

tions now in force, and by the establishment of a Fire Brigade.

The following are the main features of the New Company:—
1. A First Call of \$100, to be paid upon each share on allotment, and a further Call of \$100 to be paid in Six Months; at further Calls to be determined upon at General Meetings of the shareholders.
2. Interest at 12 per cent. per annum to be paid in the first instance allowed on the paid up Capital, such interest to be payable half-yearly, on 30th June, and 30th December. The profits after deducting the said interest to be applied thus:—20 per cent. *pro rata*, amongst such of the shareholders as shall have contributed or influenced business to the Company, and the remainder in forming a Reserve Fund of \$250,000.
3. When such Reserve Fund shall have been accumulated, the payment of interest to cease, and the profits to be applied thus:—20 per cent. to be distributed as already mentioned amongst the shareholders who shall have contributed business to the Company; 30 per cent. to the augmentation of the Reserve Fund until it shall reach \$1,000,000, at which figure it is to be permanently maintained; and the remaining 50 per cent. to be distributed by way of dividend amongst the shareholders generally.
4. No shareholder to hold more than 250 shares.
5. The Company to be managed by General Managers, with the assistance of a Consulting Committee.
6. The Funds of the Company to be deposited in Banks or in Government Securities approved of by the Committee. Over one half of the entire number of shares has already been taken up.
The following is the form of application for shares, which should be filled up and signed by the applicant and left with the General Managers of the Company. (HONGKONG, 23rd November, 1868.)

To the General Managers of the "HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED."
[Address of applicant and date.]

GENTLEMEN,
I [or we] hereby request that you will allot to me [or us] shares in the above company, and I [or we] agree to accept such shares, or any less number you may allot to me [or us] and to pay the First Call of \$100 per share on allotment, and the Second Call of \$100 per share on the Thirtieth day of June next, as well as any subsequent Calls that may be made, and to sign the Deed of Association whenever required so to do.

Your obedient servant
The Deed of Association may be inspected at the Office of the General Managers, or at the Office of Mr. HENRY C. CALDWELL, the Solicitor of the Company.
Hongkong, November 25, 1868. ja25

FOR SALE AT EAST POINT.
A complete assortment of Lowmou and Thornycroft's PLATE and Sheet IRON, BAR, ROD, ANGLE IRON and RIVETS, Double Shear, Spring and Elster STEEL, in round, square and flat bars. BABBIT METAL, Muntz Yellow METAL, COPPER PLATES, Rods and Pipes. GAS FITTINGS of every description. BOILER TUBES, Pressure GAUGES, FILLES, HACKING and all kinds of Engineer's Supplies.
RUSSELL & CO.
Hongkong, September 1, 1868. mar10

NOTICE.
THE OFFICE of the VANHOUL STEAM BAKERY is REMOVED to the Store of Messrs MacEwen & Co., where all orders addressed to "VANHOUL STEAM BAKERY" will receive prompt attention. Fancy BISCUIT and CAKE constantly on hand.
L. P. WARD, Proprietor.
Hongkong, September 2, 1868. de3

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned having PURCHASED the interest of the "VANHOUL STEAM BAKERY," begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and Ship Masters that he is prepared to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD in various forms, to any part of the Colony.
Also Ship BREAD of best quality and at low rates constantly on hand or baked in quantities at short notice.
Also Water, Butter, Soda and Sugar BISCUITS by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.
Also Corn and Rye MEAL, HOMINY, CORN STARCH, RICARDE, SODA, Saleratus and Cream TARTAR.
FLOUR of best Brands constantly on hand supplied by the Harrel, Bag, Tin or Pound.
CAKE of all kinds baked to order.
The above is under the Superintendence of Mr. JONATHAN PARSONS, and all orders forwarded to him, at the Bakery, or left at Messrs MacEwen & Co.'s will receive prompt attention.
L. P. WARD.
Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 27th day of November, 1868, at 12 o'clock, at the Godowns of Messrs AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO., Waichi, 63 pients BICHO DE MAR.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, November 21, 1868. 27no

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 26th November, 1868, at 12 o'clock, at his Sales Room, Commercial Bank Buildings,—
30 boxes Candles.
10 barrels Brandy.
50 bolts Gourock Canvas, Nos. 1 to 6.
15 dozen assorted Essences.
10 dozen Mustard.
20 dozen Ink.
60 sides Pump Leather.
50 kegs Iron Nails.
10 casks Butter.
10 casks green Peas.
25 Overland Trunks.
25 casks Allsopp's Ale.
12 dozen superior Champagne.
24 10-catty boxes best Souchong Tea.
10 cases Tobacco.
And,
50 boxes superior Vegeiros.
8 bales Turkey Red Cambrics.
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TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots with all errors of description whatever at purchaser's risk upon fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, November 19, 1868. no26

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
SUSCRIBED CAPITAL FIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.
COUNT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman, GEORGE JOHN HELLAND, Esq., Deputy Chairman, GEO. F. HEARD, Esq., W. H. FORBES, Esq., JAMES B. TAYLOR, Esq., SOLOMON D. SASSOON, Esq., J. A. JOSEY, Esq., WILLIAM LEMANN, Esq., P. DUNCANSON, Esq., JULIUS MENKE, Esq., RICHARD ROWETT, Esq., And, E. R. BRILLIANT, Esq., Managers.
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VICTOR KRESSER, Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
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and Vivians.
JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, April 5, 1867.

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BASS'S BEER.
Allsopp's BEER.
Devenish & Co's CHAMPAGNE BEER.
Guinness's STOUT.
Bridgman's PORTER.

Porter's Pale India STOUT.
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 J. M. ARMSTRONG,
 Auctioneer & General Commission
 Agent,
 COMMERCIAL BANK BUILDING,
 Queen's Road,
 Hongkong, October 31, 1888.

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MUNTZ's Yellow METAL, 20/28 oz. and
NAILS.
Also,
Virvian's Patent Yellow METAL Kee
PLATES, 12lb. and 13lb. with NAILS.
Apply to
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Also,
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Sparkling HOCK.
After Dinner CLARET, in pints.
LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1868.

FOR SALE.
Et "ESTAFETTE" and other Arrivals.
GENUINE *AVH* GIN in red cases, 16
 squares.
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 Palm-tree Brand GIN, in 15 squares.
 Dutch CURACOA, in stone bottles.
 At LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co,
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FOR SALE.
Ex "MOBILE" and other late Arrivals.
100 BARRELS Hamburg Prime Mess BEEF.
100 barrels Hamburg Prime Mess PORK.
 A well assorted Invoice of *Booth's Prime*

quality RUSSIAN ROPE, BOLTROPE, Seizing STUFF, HOUSELINE, MARLINE, LOGLINES, Signal HALLYARDS, SPUN YARN, &c. At
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Hongkong, May 22, 1868.

FOR SALE.
Ex "BEITED WILL," "CHUSAN,"
&c., &c.
BASS'S ALE in hogsheds and kilderkins.

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Guinness's STOUT in bottle, quarts and pints.
Heinnesy's Pale Old BRANDY.
Old Tom GIN.
Dinner SHERRIES from \$6 upwards.
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Hongkong, June 11, 1868,

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Apply to
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Hongkong, June 2, 1868.

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Wm. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, August 6, 1867.

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LIFE ASSURANCE.

THE Undersigned have received Authority by a recent Mail to issue Life Policies for amounts not exceeding £100,000 without reference to the Head Office, was previously required by the Board.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents Royal Insurance Company
Hongkong, January 6, 1866.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having received extended limits from **THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY**, are now authorised to issue Policies against FIRE as follows, viz:

On any one first-class Building, or Goods stored therein in Hongkong \$60,000; in China \$45,000.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents Royal Insurance Company of Liverpool
Hongkong, June 17, 1864.

REDUCTION
IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM FOR
FIRE INSURANCE.

THE Undersigned (has as already intimated in their Circular dated 14th October last) received authority from the Secretary of the **ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY** to reduce the rate of Premium under certain circumstances, on PRIVATE RESIDENCES and on FURNITURE and EFFECTS, therein contained.

In cases of DWELLING-HOUSES removed from the Town, the rate of Premium will be Three-quarters per Cent. in place of One per Cent. For Annular as heretofore charged; and in cases of Residences, so situated, being detached or semi-detached, the rate will be further reduced to One-half per Cent.

The Royal's Annual Rates for FIRE INSURANCE on the various classes of Buildings and their contents will therefore remain as follows, until further notice, viz.:

Detached and semi-detached.	
Dwelling-Houses (removed from the Town) and their Contents.	$\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.
Other Dwelling-Houses (similarly situated) and their Contents.	$\frac{3}{4}$ per cent.
First Class China Houses and their Contents.	$\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.
Other Risks as per special arrangements.	$\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents Royal Insurance Company
Hongkong, November 9, 1866.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION
A DIVIDEND SHANGHAI.

A dividend of 8 per cent. Eight per cent. has been declared on the net Premium contributed to the Association for the Year ending 30th September 1867.

Policy holders will please send in particulars of their contribution to that date to the Undersigned.

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, September 8, 1868.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF
SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, on BUILDINGS and GOODS, at current rates.

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, February 6, 1867.

BATAVIA SEA & FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above named Company are prepared to grant Policies against SEA RISKS, at current rates.

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, April 1, 1865.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Secretaries and Agents of this Association, are prepared to issue Policies upon Marine Risks at current rates of premium. Policies can be made payable in London, New York, Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Hongkong, Foochow and Shanghai.

In addition to the usual brokerage of each Association returns to be assured of each year at the close of each current year fifteen (15) per cent of the profits of the Company for that year divided pro rata to the amount of premium paid by each policy-holder.

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 2, 1867.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF
SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China for the above Insurance Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks, at the current rates.

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, July 6, 1866.

SAMARANG SEA AND
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF
SAMARANG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Macao for the above named Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks at the current rates.

RAYNAL & Co.
Macao, August 4, 1866.

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SAMARANG SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAMARANG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above named Company are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks on the usual terms.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, August 1866.

NOTICE.

NORFOLK ASSURANCE COMPANY.

PROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances:—

Not exceeding one month.	$\frac{1}{2}$ of the Annual rate.
Above one month and not exceeding 3 months.	" " " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months.	" " " "
Above 6 months.	$\frac{3}{4}$ the full annual rate.

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